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# Man arrested after indecent assault on T

**Second such incident on MBTA in a week ◗ Man allegedly ejaculates on woman, suspect caught hours later ◗ Riders urged to report bad behavior, not take matter into own hands**

For the second time in a week, a female victim of indecent assault on the MBTA pursued her assailant before calling transit officials to get the suspect behind bars.

Transit police arrested a 26-year-old Holliston man this week after he allegedly ejaculated on a woman riding a Red Line train in Cambridge — an incident that MBTA Transit Deputy Police Chief Lewis Best called "abnormal behavior" that "won't be tolerated."

Eric Howes was arrested around 5 p.m Tuesday and was charged with indecent assault and battery on a person 14 or older after he admitted to T police that he was masturbating on a train headed to Davis Square Station.

Howes allegedly ejaculated on a 21-year-old female passenger, who initially thought Howes had urinated on her.

▶ Howes is charged with indecent assault and battery.

According to reports, the victim told police as the train arrived at Davis Square she noticed a disgusting smell and something wet on her jacket.

Howes was allegedly next to her pulling up his pants and denied urinating on her.

She then realized that it wasn't urine on her, instead it was what she believed to be semen, according to the report.

As the train pulled into Davis Square, the suspect fled the vehicle. The victim allegedly got up and ran for the door to attempt to chase after the suspect, but the train doors closed before she could exit.

Best said the Transit police never ask people to put themselves in harm's way, and chase after assailants, but encourage riders to speak up and contact officials immediately.

"We absolutely encourage victims to come forward. Any type of suspicious act, just trust your gut. If you don't think it looks right, report it," said Best.

Best said riders should take a photo using their smartphone if they see "deviant" or "suspicious behavior."

"Our message is quite clear and we want our riders to know — if they see something, say something, and we will take action," he said.

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## Preschool assault

Boston police said yesterday that they are searching for a man who exposed himself to a group of children in Jamaica Plain.

The man walked up to the fence surrounding the Hollow Reed School about 10:30 a.m. Tuesday and began talking to some of the children playing outside.

One of the children told police that the man tried to have a conversation with the children and then exposed himself before he fled.

Police said they have notified area schools and day care centers of the incident.

Anyone with information can call 800-494-TIPS or text "tip" to crime (27463). METRO

**52**
Number of reported incidents of indecent assault and battery on the T in 2011.

**14**
Number of similar incidents reported, to date, this year.

**How to contact T police in case of an emergency:**

- **On Twitter:** @MBTATransitPD
- **Via text:** 873873
- **By phone:** Either at an emergency call box or dial 911
- **In person:** Flag down any MBTA employee for help

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**In the news**

**$17.4M**

The cost for the new East Boston branch of the Boston Public Library. Mayor Thomas Menino celebrated the groundbreaking ceremony for the new 15,000-square-foot branch yesterday. The new library will have double the combined public space of the two branches currently operating in East Boston. METRO

**Today's local tweet**

"Cuts in service + increasing fares * bodily fluids and indecent exposure = taking cabs or cycling. Seriously, screw the #MBTA."

@DANSHEWAN AFTER SEVERAL ODD STORIES THAT OCCURRED ON THE T WERE REPORTED WEDNESDAY.

## Alleged MBTA spitter arrested on Silver Line

**BOSTON.** Transit police arrested a 43-year-old man on the Silver Line yesterday after he refused to pay his fare and then allegedly spit on and punched an MBTA driver.

Sean Stuart, no known address, was charged with assault and battery on an MBTA employee and interfering with public transportation.

According to reports, around 10 a.m. yesterday, at the corner of Washington Street and Massachusetts Avenue, Stuart became unruly after the Silver Line operator asked the man to pay the $1.25 bus fare.

▶ Stuart

Stuart allegedly refused to pay and then spat on the driver.

A Boston police officer, working nearby, detained Stuart, who was then taken into custody by T police. METRO

**100+**

The state recently surpassed 100 megawatts of solar power with the help of a new 4.5 megawatt project in Westford that was celebrated yesterday. Gov. Deval Patrick "flipped the switch" on the Westford solar panels that will provide power to UMass Lowell. Three years ago the state had just over three megawatts of solar power, Patrick's office said. All but 20 communities now have solar projects. METRO

## Hero firefighter finalist in national competition

**BOSTON.** A Boston firefighter who caught a boy dropped from a window during a fire last year is finalist in a competition by America's Most Wanted.

The AMW All-Star contest features six public safety personnel who performed heroic acts, including Lt. Glenn McGillivray.

He caught a 6-year-old boy who was dropped by his grandmother when a fire broke out in their Dorchester apartment building in October.

The online voting contest lasts through May 5. A $10,000 prize will be awarded.

▶ McGillivray

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# America's

## Lung Association grades Bay State air ◗ Air quality improved, but Mass. doesn't do better than a 'C' ◗ We have rest of country to blame

Massachusetts is no honors student when it comes to air quality.

Despite improvements in some counties since last year, the Bay State still earned no better than a "C" grade in this year's assessment by the American Lung Association.

"Even though there is improvement … those grades are not good enough," said Jeffrey Seyler, president of the American Lung Association of New England.

The State of Air report was officially released at an event at the State House yesterday, during which parents spoke out about their children's asthma problems and how the air quality impacts the condition.

The association attributes the poor air quality in part to vehicle emissions, coal-fired power plants and even the state's location.

"Here in Massachusetts we are literally at the end of the country's tailpipe," said state Rep. Lori Ehrlich, who founded the energy caucus while attending Harvard's Kennedy School of Government. "Pollution doesn't recognize county lines or state borders."

Seyler said the jet stream pushes pollution from states west of New England through the region on its way out to sea.

**Grades by county**

**F**
Essex County, 2012
(2011 grade: F)

**C**
Middlesex County, 2012
(2011 grade: F)

**D**
Norfolk County, 2012
(2011 grade: F)

**C**
Suffolk County, 2012
(2011 grade: D)

That's why the association and others are pushing to keep in place the regulations of the Clean Air Act.

"We can all do our part — carpool, ride bikes — but we need our legislators to help clean our air," Seyler said.

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## Feds bust alleged New England mob boss

The alleged leader of the New England mob was charged in federal court yesterday in connection with extorting protection payments from Rhode Island strip clubs.

Anthony DiNunzio, 53, of East Boston, was ordered held during a hearing in U.S. District Court in Providence, according to the U.S. attorney's office. He was charged with racketeering, extortion and travel in aid of racketeering.

DiNunzio is accused of leading the New England organized crime family, also known as La Cosa Nostra.

An indictment unsealed yesterday accused DiNunzio and other mob members in a conspiracy in which monthly cash payments for protection were demanded from the owners of multiple Rhode Island strip clubs. The payments ranged from $2,000 to $6,000.

# tailpipe?

▶ The American Lung Association report provides grades on two of the most widespread pollutants: ozone (smog) and particulate matter (soot). Grades are based on the number of days a county's air reached unhealthy levels on the Environmental Protection Agency's Air Quality Index.

## Asthma a concern

**Unhealthy air can lead to asthma attacks, the association said.**

- Also concerned about the poor air grades is Antonia Blinn a mother who lives in Bristol County where the air was graded "F."
- Blinn, director at the Massachusetts Association for School-Based Health, spoke about her son's struggle with asthma. "It interferes with his sleep and play," she said.
- Mass. has one of the highest asthma rates in the U.S.

## "If I go to the can, I'm still the boss ... no matter what."

**ANTHONY DENUNZIO, TALKING TO A MEMBER OF THE GAMBINO CRIME FAMILY, ACCORDING TO A FEDERAL INDICTMENT**

The strip club owners had previously paid protection money to the Gambino crime family in New York, according to federal officials.

DiNunzio, who assumed leadership in late 2009 or early 2010, allegedly sent a New England La Cosa Nostra member to New York to meet with the Gambino crime family to receive permission to extort money from the businesses.

The indictment also alleged that DiNunzio met with a senior made member of the Gambino family at a restaurant in Malden last June to discuss the extortion of the strip clubs.

During the same meeting he allegedly told the Gambino family member about his leadership style and said that he would bury alive people who did not listen to him and would watch them die. METRO/MN

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# Students strip to skivvies to complete run for charity

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▶ Emerson students participated in the "Nearly Naked Run" yesterday around Boston Common.

Emerson College students stripped down and gallivanted around Boston Common in their underwear yesterday, all in the name of charity.

The "Nearly Naked Run," an annual tradition to let students "Undress, De-Stress and Do Good" had hundreds of Emerson coeds streaking through the city streets as a way to let loose and also collect clothes for charity.

Sponsored by Wiggio.com, the charity event asked students to bring piles of clothes to donate to Big Brothers Big Sisters before taking a mile-long fun run around the common in only their underwear.

"With finals right around the corner, as well as this unseasonably warm weather, why not blow off some steam while supporting a great cause?," wrote Wiggio representatives on the event's Facebook page.

Boston University will be holding a similar half-naked jog on May 3, also to help collect clothes for those in need.

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## House rejects 'bottle bill' amendment

**BOSTON.** A proposal to expand the state's bottle recycling law to include water, sports drink and juice containers was quietly eliminated yesterday as the House mashed together 90 energy and environment amendments to the state budget. The proposal would have expanded the state's existing law, which adds a 5-cent cost to carbonated beverages that is redeemable when those bottles are recycled at local redemption centers. **SHNS**

## Woman seeks leash law for cats

**CONCORD.** A Concord woman has asked the town to pass a law to leash domestic cats.

According to Boston.com, citizens of Concord will vote at their annual town meeting to decide if cats should be kept from wandering on the lawns of neighbors via leashes.

According to the report, the woman is looking to control and regulate roaming cats, while trying to save birds that she says the cats have been killing. **METRO**


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# Economy threatens November elections

## Democrats especially at risk as recession takes toll on voting infrastructure Can lack of funds tank Obama?

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▶ Obama won Michigan in the 2008 election and is favored to defeat Romney there in November. But the vote could be close, analysts say. Romney is the son of a former Michigan governor, and a recent poll showed Obama leading there by just 4 points.

The economy looms large over November's general election in a basic way for strapped cities and counties: Can they afford it?

In Detroit, the city clerk warned last week that the Rust Belt city would have trouble holding the Nov. 6 presidential election under a slimmed-down budget the mayor proposed to address years of deep financial problems.

In Jefferson County, Ala., the local government was so short of cash for elections that it used road repair crews to staff the state's Republican presidential primary last month.

And in South Carolina, a $500,000 shortfall after the state's Republican primary in January led elections officials to consider a sponsorship deal with comedian Stephen Colbert, who plays a mock conservative pundit on his late-night TV show.

With cities and counties across the United States in dire financial straits, many local officials are struggling to come up with the millions of dollars they will need to hold the Nov. 6 elections. That is likely to mean fewer election workers and long lines for voters, which could reduce turnout.

It is a problem that could affect candidates and political parties in November — but particularly President Barack Obama and fellow Democrats, who are relying on support from big cities such as Detroit.

High-turnout elections typically are better for Democrats, who usually fare well among low-income, minority and less-educated voters whose election turnout is inconsistent, said University of Wisconsin political scientist Charles Franklin.

New, stricter voter registration laws in some states such as Florida could exacerbate the problem by raising the need for more elections workers to verify voters' eligibility.

Local governments across the nation are planning to shift costs — putting off road repairs for a few days while transit crews work on elections or borrowing workers from other departments to help count votes. **REUTERS**

**97%**

**In 2008, 97 percent of Detroit voters backed Obama, so a polling problem there might affect what could be a close statewide race against Mitt Romney, the likely Republican nominee for president.**


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# Bishop compares Obama to Hitler

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▶ Obama

More than a hundred University of Notre Dame professors have demanded that Illinois Bishop Daniel Jenky renounce comments he made criticizing President Barack Obama's stance on religious liberty that compared him to dictators Adolf Hitler and Joseph Stalin.

"Jenky's comments demonstrate ignorance of history, insensitivity to victims of genocide and absence of judgment," said the letter addressed this week to the leadership of the renowned Catholic university in Indiana and signed by 131 professors from various fields.

The letter urged the school to distance itself from Jenky's "incendiary statement," and called for Jenky, 65, a Notre Dame graduate who has led a Catholic diocese in Peoria, Ill., since 2002, to "renounce loudly and publicly this destructive analogy" — or resign from the university's Board of Fellows and board of trustees.

Jenky, along with other U.S. Catholic bishops and social conservatives, condemned the Obama administration's requirement that church-affiliated institutions provide insurance that covers contraception.

But his April 14 homily singled out Obama and the Democratic majority in the U.S. Senate, saying, "The Church will survive ... the calculated disdain of the President of the United States ... and of the current (Democratic) majority of the federal Senate." **REUTERS**

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**LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE LEADERSHIP OF NOTRE DAME, SIGNED BY 131 PROFESSORS**

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▶ General Dempsey also ordered an inquiry into how the material, which has been described as "objectionable" and "inflammatory," got into the course at Norfolk.

# US to review 'war with Islam' course

The top military officer ordered a review of training material after a course for officers was found to espouse the view that the United States is at war with Islam, the Pentagon said yesterday.

General Martin Dempsey, chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, sent a letter on Tuesday to leaders of the Army and other services, along with regional commanders and officials heading the National Guard, ordering a review of relevant training and education material across the military. **REUTERS**

## Court backs Arizona on immigration

**WASHINGTON.** Conservative justices who hold a majority on the U.S. Supreme Court appeared to endorse Arizona's immigration crackdown yesterday, rejecting the Obama administration stance that the federal government has sole power over those who illegally enter the United States.

During 80 minutes of oral arguments, the justices suggested by their questions and comments that states have significant latitude to adopt laws that discourage illegal immigrants from moving to and staying in the country.

Critics have said the Arizona law could lead to ethnic and racial profiling. **REUTERS**

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# Newt Gingrich: On what we've lost

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A moment of silence, please, for the Newt Gingrich campaign for presidency. Sure, his shoot-for-the-moon candidacy has been on the ropes since at least Feb. 1 when his debate momentum and surprise South Carolina victory were crushed in Florida beneath a mountain of Romney super PAC attack ads. But there was at least a short-lived moment when some — certainly the candidate himself — actually believed he could last all the way to the Republican National Convention in August. Now that dream is dead: Gingrich announced yesterday that he was "reassessing" after his five-state loss on Tuesday. Campaign aides said he'd officially be out next week.

While there is certainly plenty to mock about the big man with a child's heart, Gingrich was in some ways a laudable candidate. He was, to be clear, generally despicable. But also, when compared to the rest of the Republican field and that party in general, Gingrich could be occasionally refreshing as well.

In the context of his 2012 presidential run, the Gingrich paradox can be encapsulated in an event from May of last year, when he came out strongly against the Paul Ryan budget proposal, describing it as "right-wing social engineering." Party loyalty over the regressive Ryan budget — derided universally among Democrats, touted equally by Republicans — is just one example of the partisan nature of D.C. politics. Yet Gingrich called this faux solution a "radical change." Then his party flipped out, and he was forced to walk his comments back. But he did make them, and that counts for something.

Gingrich's most enduring contribution to the campaign season, however, was his intense and obvious love of science. He took a lot of heat for it from his rival candidates, but he never dropped his insistence that America should strive to put another man on the moon. (A colony, actually.) Again, what set him apart was his willingness to be set apart. What does Romney think about manned space flight? Oh, we don't know, how's it polling? Gingrich seems to truly believe in his heart in the promise of technology and big ideas. In an environment where kowtowing to the party line dominates, Gingrich went his own way. In the end, it cost him. Still, we consider it commendable.

Of course, Gingrich also apparently thinks that poor kids should be janitors in their own schools and was the king of the dog-whistle — using coded language like calling Obama the "food-stamp president" to appeal to racists — so maybe we're taking this praise a bit too far. (And we don't even have the space or inclination to get into all of his crazy hypocritical personal issues, which everyone already knows so well!) But what's the harm? He's out and Romney's the guy. We've got bigger problems to worry about.

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▶ It's back to the zoo with you, Gingrich.

**"The idea that corporate America wants to go off to the moon and build a colony there, it may be a big idea, but it's not a good idea."** MITT ROMNEY

**"If I had been clever, I would have said to Romney, 'You would have fired Christopher Columbus and John F. Kennedy because they were proposing daring and large things.'"**
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# ‘I WILL NEVER FORGET TODAY’

WINNER

▶ Justin Dowd of Worcester, Mass., won Metro’s contest to take a trip to space.

**Physics student from Boston beats hundreds for ticket to outer space**
**Justin Dowd to undergo training for space flight scheduled for 2014**

Justin Dowd from Worcester, Mass., has won the Race for Space, the global competition to select one Metro reader to travel into space.

Dowd, 22, beat thousands of candidates from across the globe to win a the coveted once-in-a-lifetime ticket on board XCOR Lynx, the first generation rocket-powered spaceplane currently being built by leading spaceflight company SXC.

Dowd has both the mental and physical smarts needed to be a perfect astronaut. Dowd, a physics and maths undergraduate at Boston’s Northeastern University, wowed the judging panel with his stunning chalkboard stop motion video on Einstein’s theory of relativity. Meanwhile, Dowd has been training for a grueling 12-mile endurance obstacle course race.

“My motivation for him is that he really provides an amazing package in the combined qualities of scientific background, artistic qualities, dedication and the gift to tell a fascinating story,” Harry Van Hulten, test pilot with SXC and global jury member that selected Dowd.

“He is absolutely unique. He taught me things in his video that I didn’t understand as well as I do now. He really blew me away with that. I can’t think of any better ambassador to tell the story about this space trip than him.”

Dowd will receive astronaut training ahead of the trip scheduled for 2014. The ‘civilian astronaut’ will be able to chronicle his preparations and space flight itself in a series of reports published in Metro across the globe.

In reacting to the news, Dowd told Metro, “I’m the luckiest guy in the world and for about 20 minutes, I’ll be the luckiest guy in outer space!”

Dowd added that it’s “an absolute honor” to be the part of the world’s first space mission to be launched by a newspaper. “To say this is a once-in-a-lifetime event is an understatement. This is the first time ever this sort of mission is happening and I am elated to be a part of history.”

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I was always interested in physics — to expand my knowledge of the world — but I am big into sports and exercise. I think these two things will help me be a good astronaut.

**What are you looking forward to most about the mission?**
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**How does your mom feel about you going to outer space?**
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# THE WORD

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## The feed ...

▶ Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Kathy Griffin is worried for her safety, Ryan Seacrest is looking to travel more, Cher is trying to understand the nuances of Twitter and Patton Oswalt can see the future.

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In 2081, China & India will buy the United States on Craiglist.

Cher

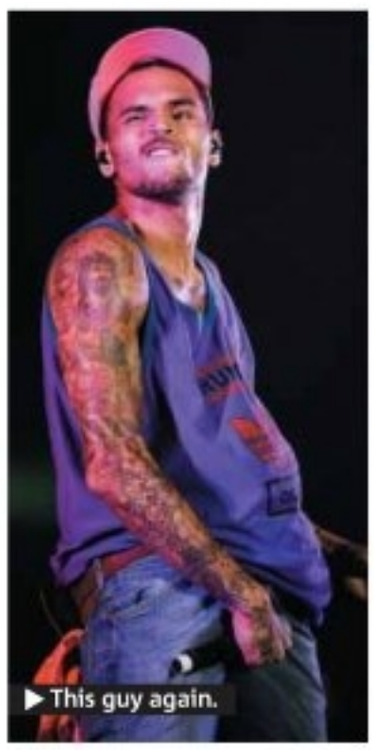
# Chris Brown is breeding, selling pit bull puppies

**Chris Brown** and his family are selling pit bull puppies online — for $1,000 a pop.

The media was tipped off to the pop star's new business venture by his mother, who tweeted a link to the dog-selling site, along with a picture of Brown cuddling one of the puppies. A rep for the singer confirmed to The Associated Press on Tuesday that Brown and his family are indeed selling the 2-month-old pit bulls online. The publicist's spin on the high price tag is that Brown, whom she defines as "an animal lover," "wants to make sure the dogs go to a good home."

Look, dog breeding is one thing. But breeding pit bulls? That's especially irresponsible. According to recent stats from the Humane Society, 70 percent of dogs housed and euthanized in urban animal shelter systems are pit bulls. An even more depressing statistic from the Los Angeles Humane Society says that around 200 pit bulls in L.A. alone are euthanized every day due to overbreeding and lack of adoption opportunities. The point being: Shelters are overrun with the breed, and thousands upon thousands are killed every year because no one will adopt them. And yet, Brown is selling each puppy for $1,000? Gross.

I'm channeling my inner **Bob Barker** when I say I'm pretty sure the way for Brown to show that he's a true "animal lover" is to make sure his pets are spayed and neutered — and not to breed and then sell them on a website. Especially when, come on — does he really need the money?



▶ This guy again.

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▶ Hubba hubba: The couple back in 2004.

## Ashton and Mila: It's on!

**Ashton Kutcher** and **Mila Kunis** may have denied last week's reports that they've become more than just friends, but their recent activities aren't doing much to help that assertion. The two reportedly shared a weekend getaway up the California coast, according to People magazine. Witnesses spotted Kutcher and Kunis headed to Carpinteria, Calif., where they grabbed lunch and some fresh fruit Friday — and didn't surface again until Sunday morning. A source close to Kutcher says something like this has been in the cards since their "That 70s Show" days. "He was so in love with her for a while when they worked together," says the source. "He thought she was a goddess, was always talking about how beautiful she is. But she was with **Macaulay [Culkin]** for a lot of that time and also just generally gave off a not interested vibe."

## Talking points

### Beyonce named People's Most Beautiful

**Beyonce**'s beauty secret? Having a baby. "I feel more beautiful than I've ever felt because I've given birth," the singer tells People magazine, which named her the 2012 World's Most Beautiful Woman. "I have never felt so connected, never felt like I had such a purpose on this earth." Beyonce and husband **Jay-Z** welcomed daughter **Blue Ivy Carter** three months ago. "The best thing about having a daughter is having a true legacy," Beyonce adds. "The word 'love' means something completely different now."

### Lawrence and wife to divorce

**Martin Lawrence** and his wife, **Shamicka**, are calling it quits after 17 years together, according to E! News. The "Big Momma's House" star says in a statement that they made a "joint decision to go our separate ways." Martin and Shamicka were an item for 15 years before finally tying the knot in 2010. "Out of love and respect for one another we will continue to remain friends and raise our two beautiful daughters together," Martin says.

### Ozzy is a grandfather

**Jack Osbourne** and his fiancee, **Lisa Stelly**, are the proud parents of a newborn baby girl, welcoming daughter **Pearl** on Tuesday, his rep confirms to People magazine. It's the first grandchild for Ozzy and Sharon Osbourne. Sharon previously announced her intentions of spoiling the new addition. "I'm going to be the grandmother from hell because I am going to spoil this baby so bad," she told People earlier this year. "My son and Lisa are going to be like, 'Get her out of here!'"

### Efron loved love scenes with Kidman

**Zac Efron** has had his share of on-screen girlfriends, but there's one that stands above the rest: **Nicole Kidman**, whom Efron connects with in "The Paperboy," their upcoming film. "It was everything you dreamed of," Efron tells Australia's Daybreak. "She was such a lovely person. I pinched myself every day, especially after doing love scenes with Nicole Kidman. Nicole is so gorgeous."

Efron

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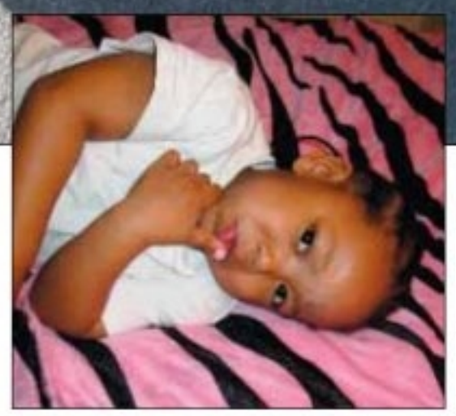
**Walk tweet**

I'm looking forward to doing my 24th Walk this year! Been doing it since I was 8, missed only 2 since. @accohn12

◀ "That was just in front of my mom's house, my son found an alcohol bottle."
— Iesha, Witness to Hunger

▼ "Prayer has a wheat allergy, and wheat's in everything, so it's pretty difficult with her. This was my first time dealing with food allergies, and the eczema, and the asthma."
— Juell, Witness to Hunger

▼ "That rice will last us for a week and it won't be the same rice. It'll be white rice today. I'll put some stuff on it and it'll be yellow rice. I'll put some canned peas in it to stretch it out."
— Quanda, Witness to Hunger



◀ "I don't like going to the food pantry, but I'm happy that they're there to help me."
— Bonita, Witness to Hunger

## ▶ Eight Boston mothers photograph their struggle with hunger ▶ Project Bread sponsors photo exhibit at State House

Last month Project Bread was a principal sponsor of the Witnesses to Hunger photo exhibit displayed at the Massachusetts State House. Eight Boston mothers took 700 photographs to document their struggle with hunger and poor housing and culled them down to the final exhibit of 35.

The mothers courageously took us into a world in which they are forced to make impossible trade-offs: rent or medicine, heat or breakfast, diapers or fresh fruit. In speaking to state lawmakers at discussions that followed — Congressman McGovern, Lt. Gov. Murray, Senate President Murray, Speaker DeLeo, Senator McGee, and Senator Eldridge were all present — they asked for a "hand up, not a hand out."

The Witnesses stories resonate with the thousands of hungry individuals across the Commonwealth.

The Witnesses continue to speak out for change and can be seen joining Project Bread's Ellen Parker on WHDH's "Urban Update" on April 29, at 11:30 A.M. They will also be at the Walk on May 6th!

**Help across the state**

With your help, Project Bread's Walk for Hunger funds more than 450 community food programs in 129 areas across the state, including:

- Emergency food programs
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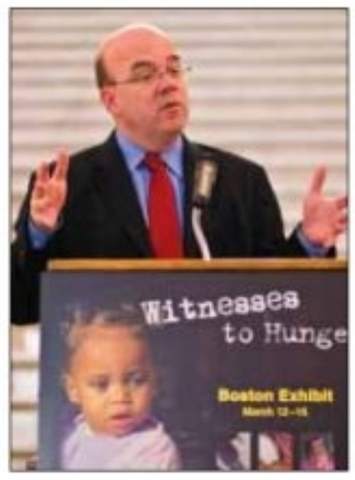


"We need to make hunger a political priority, and in doing so we're not only doing the morally right thing, we're also going to save a lot of money because hunger costs an awful lot for this community. . . ."
**— Congressman James P. McGovern (D-MA), at the launch of the Witnesses to Hunger exhibit**

"Those who are food insecure are also housing-, transportation-, daycare-, and job-insecure. The Witnesses' lives reveal how interwoven these issues are. That's why Project Bread invests in solutions that normalize hunger relief and strengthen organizations in our neighborhoods and hometowns."
**— Ellen Parker, executive director of Project Bread**

Project Bread's Walk for Hunger May 6, 2012

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# FUNdraising Contests for All

Making a difference does pay dividends, thanks to our generous sponsors! Whether you are a Walker, a Volunteer, or a team leader, there is something for you:

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- Dr. Dre iBeats Ear-Bud Headphones, a limited edition NHL MP3 Player, and guitar lessons with Gil Gram Enterprises.
- An evening show at the SpeakEasy Stage Company, a $75 gift certificate to Kingston Station Restaurant, and a one night stay for two at the Charles Hotel in Boston.
- Tickets to The Hall and 5WITS, and tickets to the Children's Museum.
- $100 gift certificate to Dave & Busters, and gift certificates for bowling at Lanes & Games.

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***The deadline for all contests is April 30 at midnight. Visit www.projectbread.org/walkcontests for more.***

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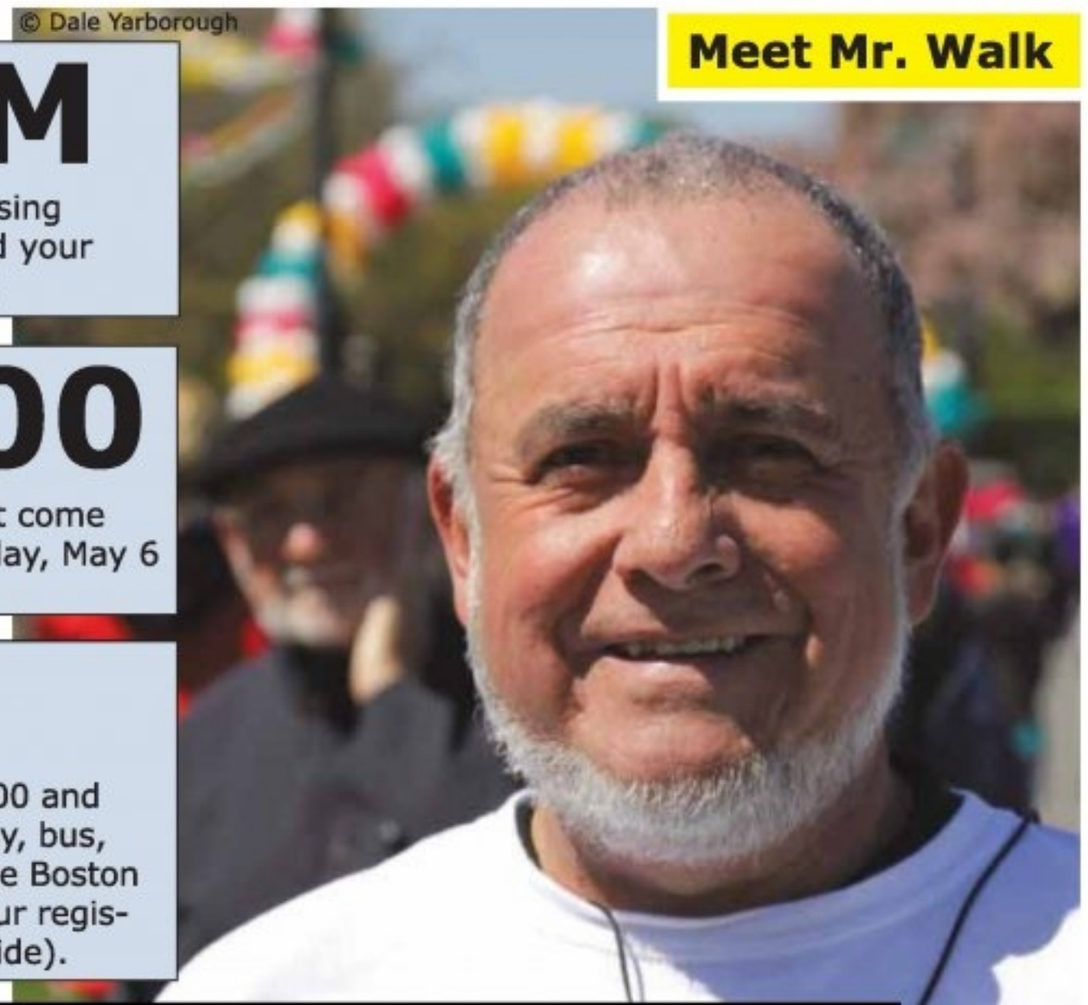
## Meet Mr. Walk




▶ Gabriel Yepes has raised an astonishing total of $422,455 over 24 years. How does he do it? Gabriel works for a private club and, every year, he grows a beard to signify that The Walk for Hunger is coming. This serves as a gentle reminder to the patrons he serves that he is ready to accept pledges for the Walk! His total makes him the top individual fundraiser of all time. To help, visit http://www.projectbread.org/goto/gabriel.

*KISS 108's "Matty in the Morning" crew – Billy Costa, Lisa Donovan, and Matt Siegel – at The Walk for Hunger, which KISS has sponsored for 24 years!*

## Be Part of the Community

### Rain or Shine!

**The Walk for Hunger begins and ends on the Boston Common, Sunday, May 6; go to www.projectbread.org/walk**

*Pebbles, Ramiro, and Melissa of 17-year sponsor JAM'N 94.5 share a laugh.*

*7NEWS Anchor, Reid Lamberty, speaks with longtime Walker, Juanita Hope, at The Walk for Hunger's Kickoff Breakfast. WHDH has sponsored the Walk for 27 years.*

Project Bread would like to thank all of our sponsors, including *Metro Boston* and the MBTA, as well as our growing list of corporations that come out each year for the family, fun, and tradition of The Walk for Hunger. This year Raytheon Company celebrates its 30th year as a corporate sponsor, Arbella Insurance Group hits the five-year mark, and Kettle Cuisine joins us for its first year.

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# How do you handle a bossy partner?

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▶ Who's telling who what to do in this coupling?

Exercise more. Lower your voice. Spend more time with me. Everybody wants to tell you what to do — especially the person you are with. We have even read about Brad Pitt's concern that Angelina Jolie isn't eating enough. Does he get on her case at home? In a restaurant, does he turn into a bossy spouse? If your spouse or partner does, how can you stop the demands from making you feel like you are being controlled?

There are lots of things we are comfortable doing that irritate our significant other, who has no qualms about voicing his or her frustrations. When your partner tells you what to do, the knee-jerk reaction is to get defensive. Faced with a mandate, you might either fight back or just shut down, keeping your anger on a low flame. Sometimes, the demands can even prompt you to do the opposite as a protest against being bossed around. But it doesn't have to be that way.

The next time your partner gives you an order — slow down when you drive, stop drinking soda, don't smoke, be more affectionate — instead of feeling immediately angry and walking away, initiate a conversation. Ask why your loved one is concerned. What is your partner most worried about? Once he or she can share concerns about your driving speed (it's for your safety), smoking habit (it's for your health) or how much time you can give to the relationship (your partner wants to feel special), then you will be able to hear the love instead of the contempt that comes across in the bossy demands. With that, you might feel motivated to work together and even deal with some of the behaviors that may be causing you potential harm. If you are aware of the issues, explain that you understand and are already working on them.

So often we don't hear our loved one's real worries and needs because their concern comes through as criticism. The next time your partner tells you to do something, ask why he or she cares instead of tuning out and dismissing the comment. Instead of causing a fight, it might be an opportunity to better understand how much you are loved.

*— Relationship expert* **Dr. Jane Greer** *is the creator of* ***"Shrink Wrap"*** *– national commentary on what we can learn from celebrity relationships – and host of* ***"Let's Talk Sex"*** *at* ***Healthylife.net.*** *Her book,* ***"What About Me? Stop Selfishness From Ruining Your Relationship,"*** *is available nationwide.*

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# Leaping at an opportunity

**Kirven James Boyd started in Boston and now works with Alvin Ailey Dance American Theatre Dancer says it took lots of work and belief to achieve his dreams**

For Kirven James Boyd, his return to the Wang Theatre will be a sentimental one.

"It's a really amazing feeling going back to the Wang," says the dancer, who comes to his hometown as part of the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre. "It's really, literally, a dream come true."

It was a quick road to the top for Boyd, who studied dance at the Boston Arts Academy and Boston Conservatory before he joined Ailey, one of the top dance companies in the country. Yet, dancing on a national stage with top-notch dancers comes with difficulties.

Reflecting on his struggles, he notes that they've primarily been issues of character.

"I'm a perfectionist, always striving for better jumps, more turns," notes Boyd. "I'm constantly working on myself."

While confidence and skill have brought him this far, he recognizes that all dancers have their strengths and weaknesses. He says confidence is what makes dancers sink or swim: "I don't think every artist is capable of doing everything."

This, combined with the exhausting touring life of a professional dancer at Ailey, makes the road to the top a bumpy one.

"I think that I trained around people who are really hard workers," he says. "That keeps me levelheaded. I know that I'll always have to try my best and work my hardest."

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## Poster boy

Kirven James Boyd is the poster boy for the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre, literally. The dancer is one of the main images on promotional posters for the current tour, but he says being singled out is not part of the Ailey agenda.

"The good thing about the company is that we're all individuals, and it doesn't matter who can do more than who," Boyd muses. "I don't ask for opportunities. Why waste time trying to get what other people have while there are things that you have to do staring at you in the face?"


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# 10 REASONS TO GO TO THE MOVIES

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▶ Lucky in love and unlucky in matrimony, the couple (Emily Blunt and Jason Segel) in "The Five-Year Engagement" can't get themselves to the chapel on time.

**2** **'Safe'** Never one to appear in a film and not handle some kind of firearm, Jason Statham stars as an ex-cage fighter attempting to save a young girl from the Russian mob.

**3** **'The Raven'** John Cusack is Edgar Allen Poe on the trail of a serial killer who designs his murders after Poe's stories.

**4** **'The Pirates! Band of Misfits'** The studio responsible for "Chicken Run" delivers a pirating adventure voiced by Hugh Grant and Salma Hayek.

**5** **'Think Like a Man'** Steve Harvey's best-selling book, "Act Like a Lady, Think Like a Man," gets a screen adaptation.

**6** **'The Lucky One'** Zac Efron plays an Iraqi war vet in search of a woman whose photo was a good luck charm for him during combat.

**7** **'To the Arctic'** Meryl Streep narrates this nature documentary about a polar bear and her two cubs making their way through the Arctic wilderness.

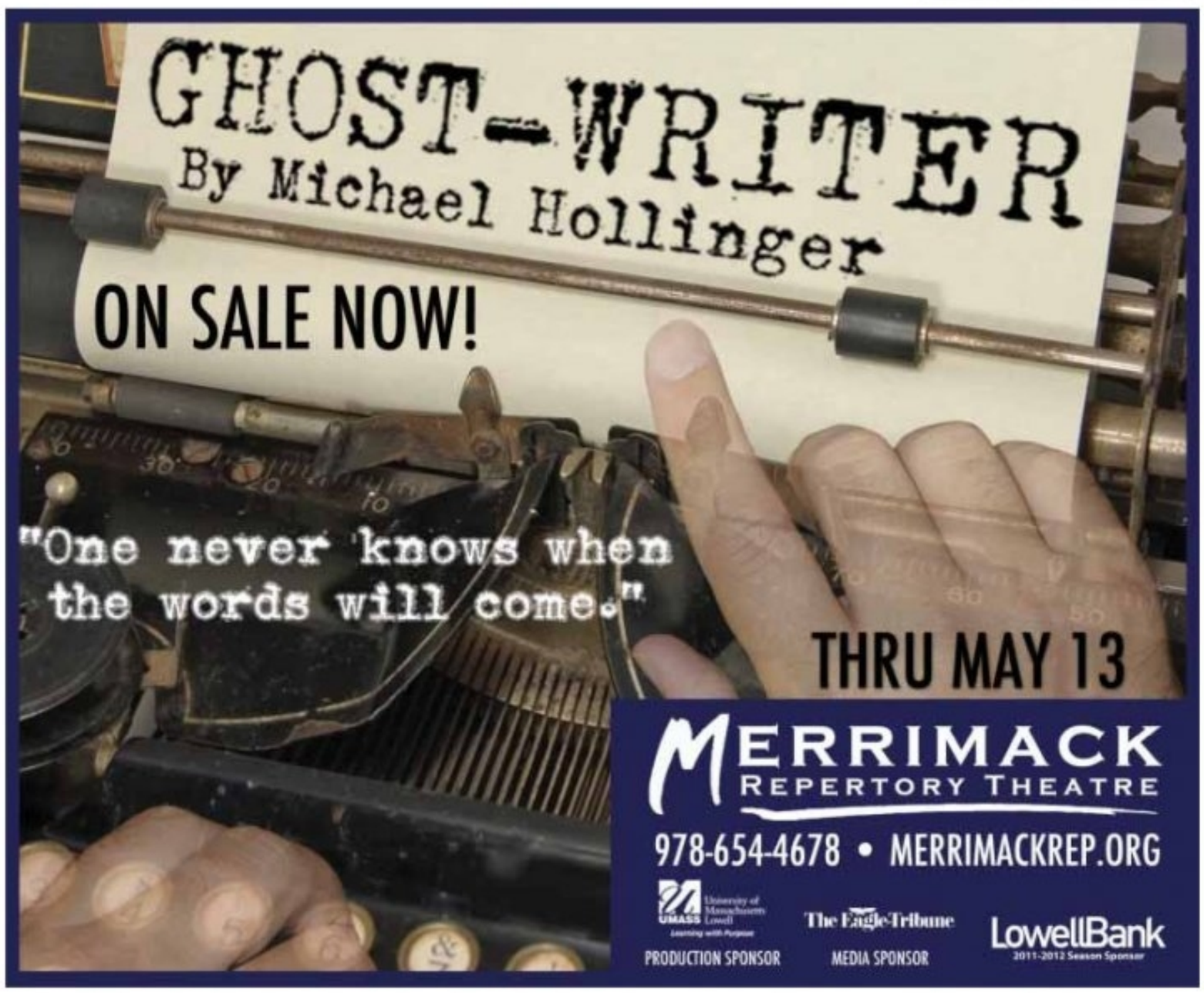
**8** **'The Cabin in the Woods'** This critically praised and long-awaited Joss Whedon horror film features a bunch of teenagers who go camping in said cabin in said woods.

**9** **'The Three Stooges'** The directors responsible for "There's Something About Mary" offer an update to the slapstick antics of Larry, Curly and Moe.

**10** **'Lockout'** Guy Pearce stars as an unfairly accused spy given one chance at redemption. The mission? Rescue the U.S. president's daughter, who is being held in a space prison overrun by inmates.

**Must-see**

**1** **'The Five-Year Engagement'** Jason Segel and Emily Blunt star in this Judd Apatow-produced comedy as a happily engaged couple who dodge one obstacle after another to get to their wedding day.

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## Monetary policy: The lowdown

**RE: "WHAT IS ROMNEY PROPOSING FOR THE MIDDLE CLASS?":** Sehrish Sultan's letter asks what Romney is going to give the middle class. While Obama will give them health insurance by borrowing from China, devaluing the dollar and forcing young adults to overpay for coverage, Romney will put our economy back on track and give them jobs!
**JIM FLETCHER, VIA E-MAIL**

Yes, Mr. Connell, I was describing monetary policy — which, last I checked, still falls under the realm of economic policy. What happens when you increase the supply of a good? The price — or value — per unit goes down. Fiat paper money is no different. Increase the supply of Federal Reserve Notes and the value per dollar will go down. The traditional definition of inflation is an increase in the supply of money. Price inflation is a consequence of monetary inflation: If you have more money chasing the same amount of goods, then the price of goods will go up while the value of your money has gone down.
**KELLY DONNOE, VIA E-MAIL**

Connell and Donnoe are both a little confused about economics. It's a GOP scare tactic to say that the Fed is printing money, which suggests a permanent increase. Most economists agree that when the main danger is deflation, the Fed should increase liquidity (money supply) by buying bonds from financial institutions. That increases their cash and thus their reserves. That allows more lending. When the main danger becomes inflation, the Fed can suck that money back out of the economy by selling bonds. Also, selling more bonds helps decrease their value, which increases the interest rates needed to sell bonds. The increase in interest rates helps slow inflation. Recently, most inflation has been due to China's demand for commodities and Iran's war games. That price increase slows the rest of the economy. **HARRY THORN, VIA E-MAIL**

## Newt Gingrich may have job opening

Just found out Newt is out. Will he join the Secret Service? I heard there's openings in that department.
**JIM ALVIN, VIA E-MAIL**

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## GSA scandal is bad; wars much costlier

Every news channel is screaming about the $800,000 wasted by a government agency that is supposed to keep an eye on government waste. It's too bad they didn't scream about over 4,000 soldiers who lost their lives or the billions of dollars wasted by the Bush administration on a war based on lies about WMDs. But I guess reporting that Lindsey Lohan was drunk again took priority.
**ROBERT LA ROSA, VIA E-MAIL**

## Here's a good idea: Let's work together

Our president, Obama, stepped into office with such problems that could have easily could have continued to worsen. Obama has initiated a turnaround, although slow. If Republicans and Democrats would have worked together more (can that ever happen?!) then our turnaround would be faster.
**DOMINIC LAMPASI, VIA E-MAIL**

## Horoscope

♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** Your inability to evaluate information that is essential to your plans could be due to not having all the necessary info at your disposal. Don't try to make a call without all the facts.
♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** Disappointment is likely if you build your expectations upon questionable premises. It's good to be optimistic, but only if you're also in touch with reality.
♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** If you want others to accept you and treat you nicely, you must first reach out to them. Keep being warm and friendly, even when you get the cold shoulder. They'll come around.
♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** The only person you have to genuinely please is you. If you think you've done your best to be warm and giving, you don't need any additional applause.
♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** Be careful not to commit any selfish acts or act indifferently to someone who is nice to you. If you do so, it will be quite a while before you can look at yourself in the mirror again.
♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** Be observant, because someone you recently met might not be everything that he or she pretends to be. When this person has to perform under pressure, this will become apparent to you.
♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** Should a friend come to you for advice, instead of telling your pal what you think she or he wants to hear, tell the truth. Be kind about it, and you'll do a world of good.
♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** Your ability to recognize a real bargain might not be operating very well. If something is expensive, sleep on it for a while before committing a sizable chunk of change.
♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** Something might arise that could force you to choose between feathering your own nest or helping out a friend, partner or loved one. You can't have your cake and eat it too.
♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** Be extremely selective of your choice of companions, because what they do will reflect on you for either good or ill. Don't gain a bad reputation based on your friends.
♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** You could find yourself involved in a social event where everybody but you knows one another, leaving you feeling like an outsider. If you can, take a friend along.
♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** Your personal ambitions and your abilities might not complement one another. It's OK to want certain things, but only if you have the ability to get what you desire. **BERNICE BEDE OSOL**

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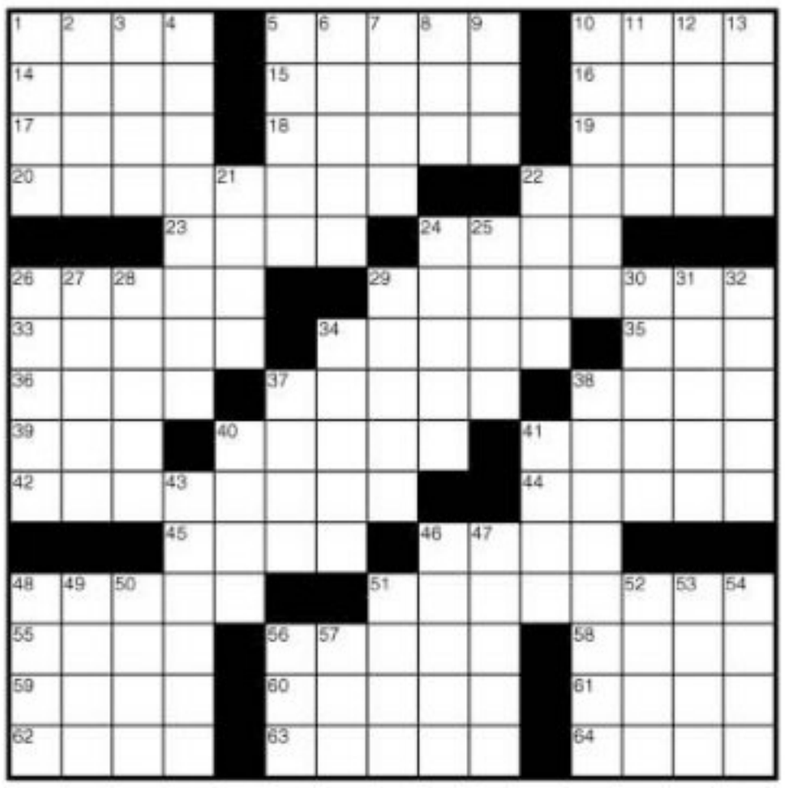

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SUDOKU **LEVEL: HARD**

**Solution to yesterday's crossword**

**How to play Sudoku:** Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

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# A NEW POUR FOR NEWPORT

- Little Rhodey puts on a festival for little craft beers
- Organizers wonder why nobody thought of it sooner

▶ The brewers of Rhode Island hang together, from left, Tom Tainsh of Trinity Brewhouse, Derek Luke of the Newport Storm Brewery, Marshall Righter of the Coddington Brewery, Dave Sniffen of Mohegan Café & Brewery, Aaron Crossett of Union Station and (seated) Sean Larkin of Trinity Brewhouse.

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**What if you don't know anything about beer?**

The world of craft beer with its dozens of styles can be intimidating to novices, Wilson admits, but that's who these festivals are really for.

"If anything, a beer festival is an opportunity for you to find other beers. ... There are lots of seasonal beers and lighter beers to try that are obviously much more flavorful than Coors Light or Bud Light or any of that crap."

**If you go**

**The Newport Craft Beer Festival**
**The Great Friends Meeting House, Newport, R.I.**
**Tickets: $45**
www.newportcraftbeerfestival.com

**At the festival**

**Brewing made easy**

Also on hand at the festival will be The South Shore Homebrew club, who will be actually brewing beer on site. "I think sometimes people ultimately forget how basic and how simple beer is," says Wilson, "and how much history there is to it. It's been around for who knows, tens of thousand of years. Water, malt, hops and yeast, that's all you need to brew an amazing beer."

With so many festivals going on in Newport, R.I., every summer, and craft beer festivals themselves experiencing a boom in recent years, it's surprising that it took so long for Newport to get a beer fest of their own. That's exactly what Graham Wilson and Hank Whitin, co-founders of the Newport Craft Beer Festival, were thinking.

"I was sitting at Hank's bar," says Wilson about the eureka moment in Pour Judgment Bar and Grill. "I said, 'How come in Newport you've got Jazz Fest, this fest, that fest, why isn't there a craft beer fest?' We both looked at each other and said, 'Let's do it ourselves.'"

The result brings 30 New England and regional breweries together for a showcase of sudsy talent, including co-sponsors Newport Storm Brewers.

"It's all craft, no imports," explains Wilson. "Almost every brewer in Rhode Island is involved. There's a local and regional kind of tone to the whole thing."

Also setting it apart is the less sloppy presentation.

"It's not one of these festivals where it's run by a bunch of volunteers. Every brewery is sending a rep, so you really get to interact and talk with the brewers," he says. "We didn't want to do one where it's a bunch of drunken volunteers drinking with other drunks."

Some of the brewers on hand include Blue Hills, Mayflower, Narragansett, Wachusett, Clown Shoes, Sebago, and Stone. The new nanobrewery White Birch from New Hampshire, Wilson says, is especially representative of the type of brewer that he loves.

"They're small batch, lots of seasonals, lots of experimenting," he says. "They're the perfect example of the small regional New England brewer doing it right."

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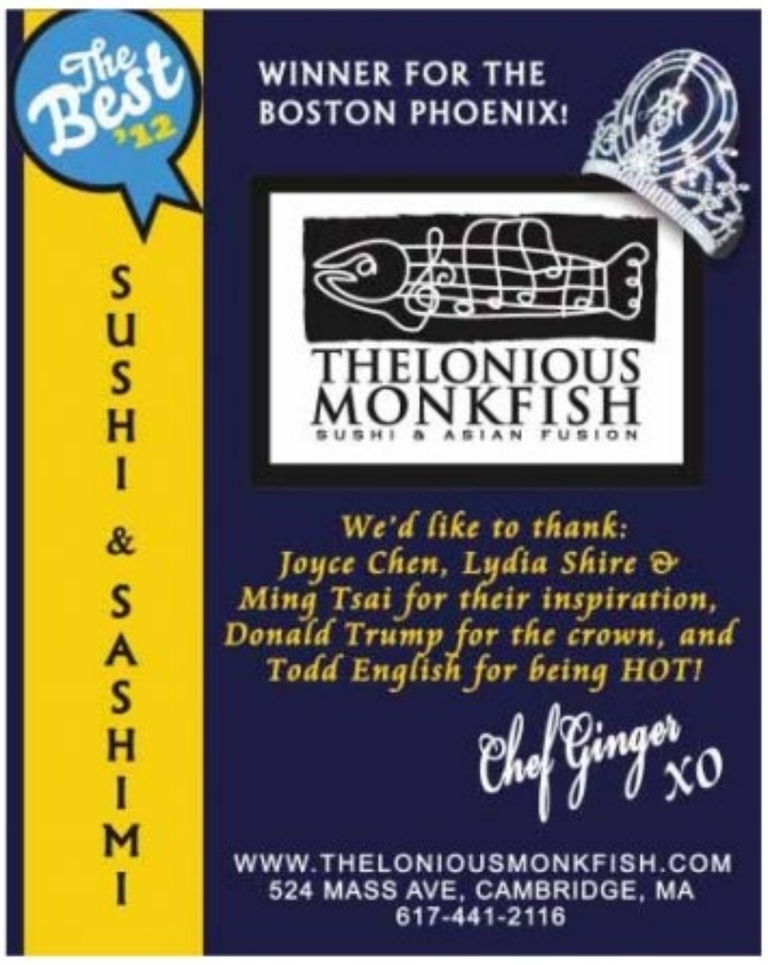

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Simon Posford of Shpongle talks about why he doesn't get shpongled when he performs and why you don't even need to be shpongled to enjoy his 'Masquerade'

SHPONGLE

# 'Periscopes of Consciousness'

▶ Simon Posford at play and, inset, Simon Posford at work.

Simon Posford uses electronic music to express his love of psychedelic drugs. Song titles include "My Head Feels Like a Frisbee," "LSD" and "Periscopes of Consciousness." The name for his main project, Shpongle, derives from being so under the influence that you'd say you're shpongled. On record, his sonic opuses often go into double digits on the time counter — but what may be surprising is that Posford never makes music while tripping.

"It's far too confusing," he says. "It's too complicated to know what songs I've played. ... I'm actually not very good at psychedelics, despite the many experiences I've had with them."

**You're not good at psychedelics? Does that mean you don't do them anymore?**
I wouldn't say that. But certainly not while performing or in the studio.

**What percent of what you do is bringing sounds or experiences back from a trip?**
All of it is, to a certain extent. ... I might not be on this path if it wasn't for psychedelics. ... I hated electronic music, for one thing, before I tried psychedelics. ... Before that I was into bands. I didn't hear the soul of electronic music. .... I couldn't hear anything that was particularly of interest. I was never into Kraftwerk. Even when I was into The Cure, a lot of people were into Depeche Mode and I hated all of that stuff. I hated drum machines. Then I took drugs and I was the complete opposite. I didn't want to hear some wanker singing about love lost or love gained. I didn't want to hear singing or lyrics at all. ... I wanted to hear all alien strange sounds.

**There's a YouTube preview for your current tour, "Shpongle Presents: The Masquerade," where there's a lot of masks and a heavy-duty light show. What else can people expect?**
3-D projection mapping on this giant pyramid structure. It has to be seen to be believed.

**Does an audience get shpongled to enjoy a Shpongle show?**
I can't speak for my audience. ... I mean I guess it's had such a profound influence on me that I want to provide a show that is a great experience to do that if they want ... and provide a similar experience for people who don't want to do that ... to make something that stimulates people on every level.

**What is the least psychedelic thing you listen to?**
"Mr. Blue Sky" by ELO. That's a fabulous piece of production.

**Yeah, but that's *kind of* trippy.**
"Breakfast in America" by Supertramp. I grew up on that album. It reminds me of my childhood and got me into music.

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## 'Shpongolese Spoken Here'

**Though Posford does not do psychedelic drugs in the studio, his partner in sound, Raja Ram, certainly does.**

"If it takes a week or 10 days to do a song, when it's close enough that I'm not sitting there irritating him on the computer ... he'll take some acid, put the headphones on. ... He always has the same reaction. He's relentlessly positive. And every tune is, 'This is the best yet. You've outdone yourself!' He says that every time."

**But an occupational hazard is always possible, as bad trips can occur.**

"We had a big fight on 'Shpongolese Spoken Here,'" recounts Posford. "He wrote me an e-mail saying, 'Si, you really tortured me with your guitar, and you're really not a guitarist. ... It's like the guy with a jackhammer: He's loving it and everybody else is walking past with their fingers in their ears.' ... And he of course loves it now, but it took a long time to get the song."

### If you go

**Shpongle Presents: The Masquerade**
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Bank of America Pavilion
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▶ **The Fray & Kelly Clarkson**
with Carolina Liar
Aug. 25
Comcast Center
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## Also onstage

### Acid Mothers Temple

**Saturday, 9 p.m.**
**Great Scott**
**1222 Comm. Ave., Boston**
**$10-12, 617-566-9014**
**www.greatscottboston.com**
Seems that this is the acid page, eh? This Japanese psychedelic band, dedicated to, in ringleader and guitarist Kawabata Makoto's words, "extreme trip music," has been scorching minds since 1995. Actually it's not entirely correct to call AMT a band, because it consists of numerous separate ensembles, each with a different vibe, purpose and subname. This evening's manifestation is known as "The Melting Paraiso U.F.O." Far out.

### All-American Rejects

**Saturday, 6 p.m.**

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The All-American Rejects had their first hit in 2003 with "Swing, Swing," a flawless power pop gem that may have been the best Weezer song that Weezer never wrote. It's been observed that Rejects lead singer/bassist Tyson Ritter bears an uncanny resemblance to Tom Welling of "Smallville" fame, but they're not twins; they're actually just both Superman. MATTHEW DINARO

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- The band whose name sounds like the name of one guy is actually three guys who have helped write hit songs for Britney Spears and Bruno Mars
- Now is the time for some hits of their own

# BE LIIKE MIIKE

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▶ That's Miike with two i's and three guys, from left, Wyatt, Winnberg and Karlsson.

When Andrew Wyatt, Christian Karlsson and Pontus Winnberg started synthy pop band Miike Snow, they already had hit singles under their belts. Among others, Karlsson and Winnberg authored Britney Spears' "Toxic" and Wyatt co-wrote Bruno Mars' Grammy-winning "Grenade." Then Miike Snow scored their own hits with the brilliant "Animal" and "Sylvia."

"I don't think we ever expected to have any hits on that first album. While we were making it, we were still working on songs for other people and I think we were in the mindset of verse chorus, verse chorus," Wyatt tells Metro from the Coachella festival days before launching their new U.S. tour.

When it came to their March-released second album, "Happy to You," their creative world was quite a different place. "We toured with a lot of different bands and checked out a lot of different stuff. Then when we went back into the studio to do this record what came out was different from the beginning," says Wyatt, adding that hit singles were far from their minds.

"The goal is not to have hits at all. Hits come in the most oblique way. If it happens then it's part of a sign to either not live your life rent check to rent check, or time to have the freedom to do something else, or time to reach a lot of different people. There's a lot of different ways to look at the fallout from having hits, but you can't really control how that happens."

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### So, who was Wyatt checking out at Coachella?

It is important to note that Metro spoke with Wyatt before the first appearance of hologram Tupac, but it looks like he was going to witness it anyway.

"I'm a fan of SBTRKT, but he's playing the exact same time we are. Pulp is playing tonight; I really want to see that. Mazzy Star is also playing tonight. I want to see the Snoop Dogg and Dr. Dre show. The Horrors, yeah so many bands I want to check out. M83, I missed him in Stockholm so I want to catch him."

**"There's a lot of different ways to look at the fallout from having hits, but you can't really control how that happens."**
ANDREW WYATT

### If you go

**Miike Snow**
**with Penguin Prison**
**Sunday, 8 p.m.**
**House of Blues**
**15 Lansdowne St., Boston.**
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## Also onstage

BILL SILVA

▶ Good Old War didn't chill with Aziz Ansari, but they did get massages.

### A good year for Good Old War

We're only four months into 2012, but it has already been a good year for Philadelphia folk-pop trio Good Old War. Their third full-length album, "Come Back As Rain," was released on the Sargent House label in early March, and it debuted at No. 1 on Billboard's Heatseekers chart. For the last several weeks, the band has been trekking across the country on a headlining tour in support of the album, and the road leads to a gig at The Paradise tonight.

But the biggest thing Good Old War has done so far this year was perform on "Conan" earlier this month, when Conan O'Brien's other guests were "Parks And Recreation" star Aziz Ansari and Christina Hendricks of "Mad Men." They played "Better Weather," which, like most of the new songs, is a jovial and optimistic tune about love and friendship that showcases the trio's warmhearted vocal harmonies. As it turns out, though, the band's late-night television debut was not quite as glamorous as they expected.

"I could create a story to make it sound cooler," jokes drummer-vocalist Tim Arnold, who talks on his cell phone while the tour van heads toward Iowa for that night's show. "Like, me and Christina fell in love, and Aziz and I were cracking jokes the whole time, but it wasn't really like that. We arrived at 8 in the morning, sound-checked and then basically sat around all day."

Not that it completely lacked Hollywood glamour.

"We did get massages," Arnold continues, "so that was cool. Going into it, we imagined we'd be drinking cocktails, rubbing shoulders with celebs and hanging out with Conan. But I guess Conan's a busy guy, because we didn't really see him. Christina walked past me once, but there was no schmoozing outside the dressing room," says Arnold, as his bandmates Keith Goodwin and Dan Schwartz crack up in the background. "But all jokes aside, it was an amazing experience."

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# A BIG DC-POINTMENT

**Washington stuns Bruins at end of epic Game 7 Stanley Cup no longer belongs to Boston Capitals' Joel Ward strikes in OT B's offense once again can't find rhythm**

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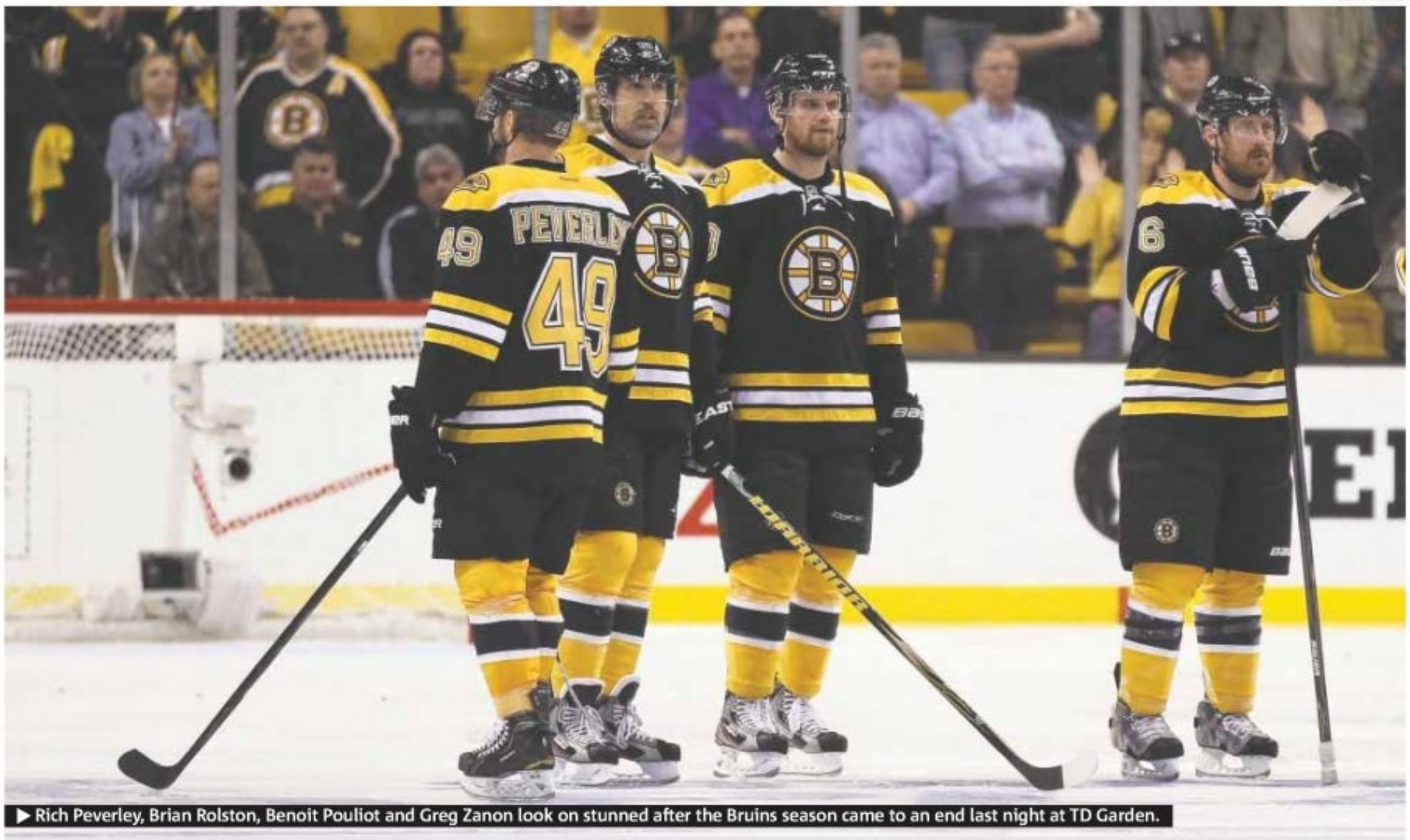

▶ Rich Peverley, Brian Rolston, Benoit Pouliot and Greg Zanon look on stunned after the Bruins season came to an end last night at TD Garden.

There will be no parade in Boston this June.

Zdeno Chara will not be called to come get the Stanley Cup.

The Bruins season came to a stunning, heartbreaking end on last night at TD Garden, with Washington winning Game 7 — how else? — in overtime. It was the fourth overtime game of the series, and finally, a Game 7 extra session the Bruins could not escape.

Here are three things we learned (the hard way) on last night at TD Garden:

### 1. Stanley Cup champions do not repeat

The streak lives on for another year. Neither of the 2011 finalists could escape the first round, as league parity has revealed itself like no other time in recent memory. For all the hand-wringing about whether the Bruins could hold onto the No. 2 seed as they struggled late in the season, it clearly does not matter where teams are seeded, as long as they get in. The postseason is that wide open. No team has repeated since the 1997-98 Red Wings.

### 2. Tim Thomas is human after all

He actually played a strong game, but in the end, he got beat on the only goal that mattered, and the Bruins are going home.

### 3. The injuries were just too much

No Nathan Horton.

No Tuukka Rask to spell Thomas down the stretch. Patrice Bergeron not 100 percent in the final games. In a series where every game was decided by one goal, not being at full strength proved the killer.

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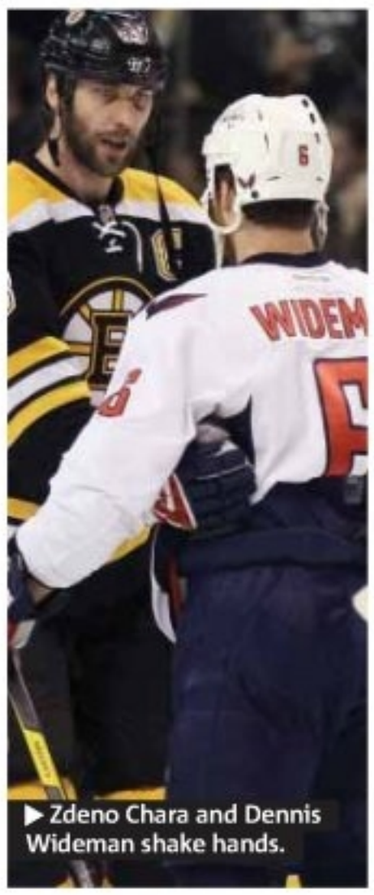
## Period by period

**Not surprisingly, Game 7 between the Bruins and Capitals went into overtime.**
**How it played out:**

- **First period** Washington's Matt Hendricks got the Caps on the board 11 minutes in on a tip-in.
- **Second period** 14:27 into the second, Tyler Seguin used every inch of his body to slide the puck past Braden Holtby.
- **Third period** There was no scoring in the third.
- **Overtime** Joel Ward beat Tim Thomas just 2:57 into yet another extra session of hockey. Mike Knuble was credited with the assist for Washington.



▶ Zdeno Chara and Dennis Wideman shake hands.

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**Amazingly, all seven games of the Bruins-Capitals quarterfinal series were decided by one goal. There were also four overtime games during the epic showdown.**

## In the news

### Horford out

Atlanta Hawks center Al Horford said he will not be able to play in the first round playoff series against the Celtics, which begins this weekend.

Horford has missed a good chunk of the 2011-12 season recovering from a torn left pectoral muscle.

Horford said he would likely be available to play if the Hawks advance past the Celtics.

As for Boston, head coach Doc Rivers said regarding the health of guard Ray Allen:

"I think Ray will be ready. I don't know that. I do think he will be ready [for the playoffs]. But if he's not, someone else has to be."

The Celtics could still grab home court advantage against the Hawks in the first round if they beat the Bucks at TD Garden tonight (8 p.m., CSNNE) and Atlanta loses to Dallas.

# Draft options for Pats

## Many needs on defensive side of the ball ◗ But don't put anything past Belichick ◗ Safety, defensive end, linebacker and D-tackle options

If you watched any of the Patriots over the last few seasons, you know their weakness is on defense, not offense. They've made a few signings to hopefully boost both sides of the ball going into the 2012 season, but look for them to focus on defense in the draft tonight.

That said, it's pretty much impossible trying to figure out who Bill Belichick has his eye on, but here are a few educated guesses:

**SAFETY**

How many times did the Patriots get beat over the top last season? Their biggest issue seemed to be giving up that big home-run type pass.

**Options:** Harrison Smith (Notre Dame) makes sense for the Patriots. He should certainly be available to the Pats late in the first, and they might even be able to trade out of that 31st pick and grab him in the second. He's a smart player, and would be a special teams force as well. Brandon Taylor (LSU) is another guy the Pats will take a look at later in the draft if they miss out on Smith.

**DE/OLB**

The Patriots lost Mark Anderson to the Bills, and it doesn't look like they have much interest in bringing back Andre Carter. So who makes up for those 20 sacks? They signed Jonathan Fanene, but there are some options at defensive end that should be there.

**Options:** Rarely does Belichick draft an outside linebacker, especially near the top of the draft, so I don't expect it this year. But one thing he looks for out of his defensive ends is versatility, and Andre Branch (Clemson) and Chandler Jones (Syracuse) look to have that. In a defense that goes from 3-4 to 4-3 at any moment, these guys fit the bill.

▶ UConn's Kendall Reyes could be an option tonight.

**DEFENSIVE TACKLE**

Vince Wilfork is still a beast, and Kyle Love is really coming into his own. Aside from those two, the Pats could use help. Ron Brace has been a dud, and Gerard Warren is getting up there in age.

**Options:** Kendall Reyes (UConn) was the early favorite for New England by draft pundits. From Nashua, N.H., Reyes is a huge body with long arms and reportedly strong intangibles. Brandon Thompson (Clemson) is more of a run-stopper at this point, but again, has the versatility the Pats look for.

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## Annual slow starter

During **Jon Lester**'s seven-year career, he's posted a 4.28 ERA in April and a 3.92 mark in May. That's been followed sub-3.00 ERAs in June and July. So it should surprise no one that Lester is off to yet another slow start this year. It also hasn't helped that he's already faced the elite offenses of the Tigers, Rangers and Jays. Buy up.

## Power outage

A lot of power hitters — especially young ones — are streaky by nature. No one should be overly concerned by the painful starts that **Paul Goldschmidt**, **Ike Davis** and **Giancarlo Stanton** are off to. They all remain solid bets for at least 30 jacks this season.

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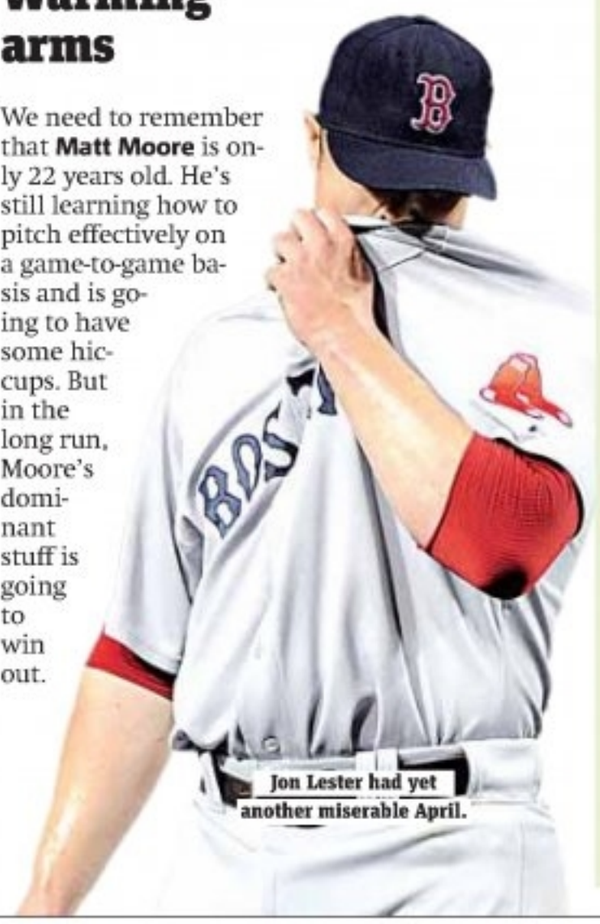

Jon Lester had yet another miserable April.

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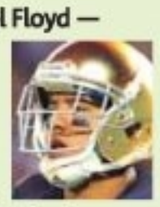

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